

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Hochstetler et al.

Serial No.: 10/673,895 Group Art Unit: 1657

Filed: September 29, 2003 Examiner: Afremova, Vera

For: DETECTION OF LIVING CELLS IN POLYMERS OR PIGMENTS

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**EXTENSION OF TIME REQUEST PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136 (a) (3)**

The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, which requires a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Deposit Account No. 05-0221 has been charged electronically in the amount of \$120. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-0221

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